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SUBJ: THIRD ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON CENTRAL AMERICA

1. INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART, NEW ORLEANS, WHICH IS SPONSORING SUBJECT CONFERENCE HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY TO TRANSMIT BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON MRS. MELGAR, WIFE OF HONDURAS CHIEF OF STATE, AS SHE IS PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERENCE THERE IN MID-FEBRUARY. RECEPTION CENTER IS REQUESTED TO PASS COPY OF THIS CABLE TO MR. JOSEPH TRENTIN, MANAGING DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART, NO. 2 CANAL ST. (TEL. 529-1601), AND TO MR. PETE PARROT, INTERNATIONAL DIVISION HIBERNIA NATIONAL BANK, NEW ORLEANS.

2. BIODATA ON: ALBA NORA GUNERA DE MELGAR, WIFE OF GENERAL JUAN ALBERTO MELGAR CASTRO, HONDURAS CHIEF OF STATE. MRS MELGAR WAS BORN IN SAN MARCOS DE COLON, CHOLUTECA PROVINCE OF HONDURAS IN 1942. AFTER RECEIVING A DEGREE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION IN 1960, FROM THE "ESCUELA NORMAL CENTRAL" IN TEGUCIGALPA, SHE PURSUED A CAREER IN TEACHING. HONDURAS' FIRST LADY HAS RECEIVED ADVANCED TRAINING IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION. SHE FIRST RECEIVED A GRANT FOR SPECIALIZATION IN ADULT EDUCATION IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY. UPON HER RETURN SHE UNDERTOOK STUDIES IN PSYCHOLOGY IN THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF HONDURAS IN TEGUCIGALPA. SHE CONTRACTED MATRIMONY IN 1966 WITH BRIGADIER GENERAL JUAN ALBERTO MELGAR CASTRO WHO HAS BEEN UNCLASSIFIED

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HONDURAS' CHIEF OF STATE SINCE 1975. THIS "FIRST FAMILY" OF HONDURAS HAS GROWN WITH THE ADDITION OF A DAUGHTER AND TWO SONS. WITH THE ELEVATION OF HER SPOUSE TO THE LEADERSHIP POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HONDURAS, MRS. MELGAR ASSUMED THE PRESIDENCY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIAL WELFARE BOARD WHICH IS CHARGED WITH IMPROVING SOCIAL CONDITIONS AND DEVELOPING THE HUMAN RESOURCES OF THE COUNTRY. MRS. ALBA NORA GUNERA DE CASTRO

IS A MEMBER OF SEVERAL SOCIAL AND PHILANTHROPIC ORGANIZATIONS
OF HONDURAS. AMONG AWARDS OF DISTINCTION CONFERRED ON HER ARE
THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) CERTIFICATE OF HONOR FROM THE LEAGUE OF RED CROSS
SOCIETIES OF SWITZERLAND.
- (2) GOLD MEDAL OF HONOR, FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF WRITERS
AND JOURNALISTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF GUATEMALA.
- (3) THE GREAT CROSS OF THE ORDER OF ISABEL THE CATHOLIC,
AWARDED BY THEIR MAJESTIES, THE KING AND QUEEN OF SPAIN.
- (4) THE HONDURAN CHAPTER OF THE INTER-AMERICAN WOMEN'S
COMMISSION WILL PRESENT SRA. MELGAR WITH A DIPLOMA ON
JANUARY 24, HONORING HER FOR HER WORK AS PRESIDENT OF
THE NATIONAL SOCIAL WELFARE BOARD.

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